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SUBJ: BRIEFING OF SIILASVUO

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1. ON MARCH 8, ATHERTON UPDATED SIILASVUO AND PRIETO ON STATE OF PLAY. CONCERNING HIS DISCUSSION WITH HUSSEIN, LATTER WAS ADHERING IN PRIVATE TO SAME POSITION JORDAN ADOPTING IN PUBLIC. ATHERTON SAID HE HAD MADE IT CLEAR IT UNREALISTIC IN ADVANCE OF NEGOTIATIONS TO EXPECT ISRAELIS TO ACCEPT FULL WITHDRAWAL AND SELF DETERMINATION. ATHERTON STRESSED HUSSEIN HAD NOT CLOSED OPTION TO JOIN NEGOTIATIONS IN EVENT AGREEMENT REACHED ON DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND PROGRESS MADE ON GUIDELINES FOR WEST BANK/GAZA BUT HAD MADE NO COMMITMENT IN THIS REGARD.

2. SUMMING UP CURRENT PHASE, ATHERTON SAID SOME PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN NARROWING DIFFERENCES ON DECLARATION OF
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PRINCIPLES. HOWEVER, KEY ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED WITH BEGIN IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE APPLICABILITY OF WITHDRAWAL PROVISION OF RESOLUTION 242 TO WEST BANK/GAZA, PARAGRAPH ON PALESTINIAN ISSUE, AND SEPARATE QUESTION OF SETTLEMENTS. ATHERTON SAID HE HAD TRIED TO DISABUSE EGYPTIANS OF EXPECTATION THAT DRAMATIC BREAKTHROUGH WOULD BE ACHIEVED DURING BEGIN'S DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON.

3. WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAIL, ATHERTON SAID EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES BETWEEN SADAT AND BEGIN HAD NOT COVERED ANY NEW GROUND. HOWEVER, HE THOUGHT RESUMPTION OF DIRECT COMMUNICATION WAS OF VALUE AS WERE HIS OWN EFFORTS IN MAINTAINING CONTINUITY OF NEGOTIATIONS. ATHERTON SAID HE ASSUMED HE WOULD BE RETURNING TO THE AREA AFTER THE CARTER/BEGIN MEETING.

4. SIILASVUO AND PRIETO WERE GRATEFUL FOR THE BRIEFING.
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